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GIVE your father a match box. D. L. Solomon, 104 Salem avenue.

GIVE your daughter a gold bracelet. D. L. Solomon, 104 Salem avenue.

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STRUCK WITH BRASS KNUCKLES.

W. O. Hardaway Painfully Injured at Pulaski.

His Assailant Was Conductor Darst, of the Norfolk and Western—The Conductor Insulted Mr. Hardaway When the Latter Resented It—Friends Separated the Combatants When the Conductor Used the Knuckles—The Matter Will be Thoroughly Investigated.

W. O. Hardaway, Roanoke's commonwealth's attorney, arrived in the city on the noon train yesterday from a visit to friends in Pulaski City and Radford. He had an ugly gash on his head which had bled freely. Mr. Hardaway stated that he received the wound under the following circumstances:

He had for a few days been visiting friends in Pulaski, and had gone about twelve miles west of that place in Wythe county to see friends. Desiring to return home, he went to the nearest station on the Cripple Creek road, which was Carter's Siding, where all trains that stopped had to be flagged down. Mr. Hardaway stated he flagged the train, and when it came along the signal was not heeded and he was left in the rain and mud, and had to walk six miles to the nearest station. Here he telegraphed for permission to come down on a freight train, which was denied him. The remaining six miles to Pulaski he walked and arrived there last night.

Yesterday morning, while waiting at the depot with friends to catch the train which arrives here at noon, he was accosted by Conductor Darst, who said (Mr. Hardaway had called him a liar. Mr. Hardaway not recognizing the man told him he guessed he was mistaken, whereupon the conductor called him a liar, which was resented by a blow from Mr. Hardaway. After exchanging several blows friends interfered and were holding Mr. Hardaway when Darst struck him on the head with a pair of brass knuckles, which cut a severe gash. He was knocked senseless by the blow, but recovered in time to have the wound dressed and catch the train.

On his arrival here he immediately reported the matter to Vice-President and General Manager Sands, who asked him to make the statement in writing and assured Mr. Hardaway that a thorough investigation would be made.

Dr. Hailo dressed Mr. Hardaway's wound last night. He found that the cut extended clear to the bone. If there had been a little more force in the blow the injury would have been a serious one.

Surprised at the Committee's Action.

J. T. Engleby, president of the Fidelity, Loan and Trust Company, was seen by a TIMES reporter yesterday in regard to the city accepted the offer of Spitzer & Co. for \$70,000 worth of unsold street and city bonds. Mr. Engleby said he was surprised at the finance committee and the mayor for giving a party outside of the city an option, which their proposition virtually is, on these bonds until January 7. He further stated that he was not aware that a plan was on foot to sell the bonds, as the finance committee had promised him an equal chance when they were ready to sell. Mr. Engleby also expressed his surprise that they were preparing to sell the bonds for less than was considered the market value, and announced that under the same conditions he would give more than Spitzer & Co. have offered.

Chickering Pianos.

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No Danger of an Epidemic.

A number of physicians in the city were seen by a TIMES reporter yesterday and interviewed in regard to the prevalence of an epidemic from scarlet fever or diphtheria; also in regard to the sanitary condition of the city. Their unanimous verdict was that there was less sickness in the city at present than has been this year, and they did not apprehend any danger of an epidemic from the diseases above mentioned, as there are very few cases in the city. They further stated that the sanitary condition of the city was good.

Prospects of the Ohio Extension.

Vice-President Eddy, of the Norfolk and Western, returned yesterday from an extended Western tour, accompanied by Mr. Samuel Hunt, president of the Cincinnati, Portsmouth and Virginia railroad. Mr. Eddy said to a TIMES reporter yesterday afternoon: "I have had a very pleasant and interesting trip and I find there is lots of business in sight for our road. We expect to bring the wealth and resources of the North and West into Virginia and the South. The future possibilities of the Ohio division are immense."

In the Hustings Court.

The case of S. A. Vick vs. Dupuy & Tallafiero occupied the time of the Hustings Court yesterday. All the witnesses were examined and Lucien Cooke made a speech for the plaintiff. The trial will be concluded Monday with speeches from Messrs. Scott and Staples for the defense and Colonel Penn for the plaintiff.

The Buggy Was Demolished.

At a late hour Friday night Dr. Moorman, who was driving in a carriage on Campbell avenue near the market, had his vehicle struck by the East Roanoke street car, which completely demolished it. The motor man claimed he could not stop the car in time to prevent the accident. Fortunately the doctor was not injured.

Lester Pianos.

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DONE FOREVER WITH POLITICS.

Gen. Wade Hampton's Letter to One of His Old Soldiers.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—George C. Tanner, a Confederate soldier and political follower of Gen. Wade Hampton, wrote him and urged him to reconsider his resolution refusing to again enter South Carolina politics. He also outlined certain plans by which he believed the general could triumph over his enemies. To this letter Mr. Tanner has received the following reply: "COLUMBIA, S. C., Dec. 13, 1892.

"DEAR TANNER: I am obliged to you for your kind letter which reached me a few days ago. Under no possible circumstances or persuasion would I take any place offered me by South Carolina. I was urged to become a candidate for governor at the last election but I refused, nor would I accept the position if every man in the State desired me to do so. I have settled my accounts between the State and myself, and I am perfectly satisfied with the result. I am rejoiced only to know that the affection of my old soldiers for me remains unshaken in storm as in calm. Thanking you for your kind interest, yours truly, WADE HAMPTON."

Newspaper Men Call on Cleveland.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The directors of the Southern Associated Press, who have been here the past two days, made a formal call on President-elect Cleveland at his office in the Liverpool, London and Globe building today. There were in the party Hon. Patrick Walsh, of the Augusta Chronicle; Evan P. Howell, Atlanta Constitution; Maj. J. C. Homphill, Charleston News and Courier; Col. John Estelle, Savannah News; C. C. Stockton, Jacksonville Times Union; Adolph Oechs, Chattanooga Times; Charles S. Clarke, New Orleans Times-Democrat; J. E. MacDaniel, New Orleans agent of the Southern Associated Press; O. C. Hutton, Washington agent of the Southern Associated Press. L. M. Howell introduced the gentlemen and then for twenty minutes Mr. Cleveland and his guests swapped stories about the recent election. They were all of a funny nature and at no time was the political future referred to, nor was there anything said about appointments from the South.

Clemency Asked For the Anarchists.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—The convention of the American Federation of Labor has adopted resolutions calling on all local unions to join the central labor bodies holding charters from the Federation; condemning the Rock Island railroad for requiring its telegraph operators to withdraw from their organization; asking that sailors be included under the provisions of the alien contract laws; condemning the system of advance wages to sailors; favoring changes in the patent law, so that inventors will receive direct reward; condemning the Baron Hirsch fund and its charitable assisted recipients and demanding a restriction of immigration; condemning the system of compelling waiters to shave off their moustaches and favoring the eight hour system. A resolution was unanimously adopted asking clemency for the imprisoned Chicago anarchists, Neobe, Fielding and Schwab.

A Magnificent Instrument.

The finest piano ever brought to Roanoke is on exhibition at the warerooms of the Hobbie Music Company. It is a Sohmer cabinet grand, in a rich dark San Domingo mahogany case, elegantly and elaborately hand-carved. It has a French grand repeating action, with the pure, rich tones and perfect singing qualities which characterize all Sohmer instruments. Its net price is \$800. Such an instrument has to be not only seen but heard under the fingers of a musician to be thoroughly appreciated.

Took Part of His Trust With Him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Daily News this afternoon says: The missing man, Edward P. Chamberlin, well known in Wall street, is trustee of the estate of the late John M. George, and is reported to have taken with him a large part of the funds of the estate, how much nobody knows, as yet. The estate has been said to be worth \$1,000,000, but Henry Clews says this amount is exaggerated.

Locked in the Academy.

Charles Campbell, a white boy about 15 years of age, living on Nelson street, attended the concert at the Academy of Music last night. He fell asleep during the performance and when he awoke found that the audience had dispersed and that he was locked in. His cries attracted the attention of Sergeant Griffin, who was passing at the time, and he sent for the janitor and had the boy released.

Jacob Pianos.

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Cotton Mills to Be Doubled.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 17.—President Thomas Barrett, Jr., of the Langley cotton mills, announces that the capacity of the mills will be doubled. The extension is to be completed by next summer. The present capacity of the mills is 15,000 spindles and they employ 400 hands.

Fine Racing Horses Cremated.

EVANSVILLE, Dec. 17.—The stable of William Akin, president of the Tri-State Fair Association, was burned early this morning. Three fine racers were cremated.

Steinway, Hardman, Kimball Pianos.

ROANOKE Piano and Organ Company.

The Institute Team Won.

An interesting game of football was played yesterday between the Allegheny Institute team and the "Kids of the Town," which resulted in a victory for the former by the score of 16 to 4. The average weight of the "Kids" was 85 pounds and that of the institute 120 pounds.

THERE WAS A PLOT TO POISON

The Non-Union Men at the Homestead Mills.

Robert Beatty Has a Preliminary Hearing and is Held For Trial—A Steamboat Cook Gives Damaging Testimony—He Was Hired by Beatty to Go to Homestead and Dose the Food to Make the Men Sick.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 17.—The hearing in the case of Robert Beatty, charged with having been a party to a plot to poison non-union men at Homestead, was held this afternoon in the office of Alderman McMasters, who held the defendant for trial at the court, after hearing the testimony of several witnesses. J. M. Davidson, a steamboat cook, stated that in August, in company with Patrick Gallagher, they met Beatty in Pittsburgh.

"It was understood," he said, "that we were to go to Homestead as cooks and were to take something with us to put into the food given the non-union men in order to make them sick and unfit for work. Beatty took us to the office of the Knights of Labor, where we met Master Workman Hugh Dempsey. Gallagher and Dempsey did most of the talking. Beatty suggested dosing the men with croton oil. I said no. Dempsey said he knew of a powder which would be better. He said he had used these powders in Chicago and had broken a strike in four days.

"Beatty gave him some powders to take to Gallagher. There were nine in the package and I gave them to Gallagher. I don't know whether they were used. Before that Gallagher had been given a small package from Dempsey. One powder was enough to put in thirty gallons of tea or coffee. This was in the Knights of Labor hall and Beatty was present. Later when Gallagher, Beatty and I went to the Knights of Labor hall, Dempsey asked how the powders worked. Beatty said 'successfully' and wanted more. Dempsey said he would get more. On December 1 I asked Beatty what was in the powders. He said rhubarb, snuff and other things. He did not say who furnished them."

Louis Weaver, steward of the Homestead mill restaurants, testified to the serious and rapid increase of the illness among the men after Gallagher's employment; that himself and wife were yet suffering from its effects; his wife, he thought, would die.

Woodbridge Was Short in His Accounts.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 17.—A rumor was current to-day that investigation shows that the late Geo. N. Woodbridge, who suicided here several days ago, has been short in his accounts as trustee for his sister-in-law, Mrs. Richards, to the amount of \$18,000 and also for several thousand dollars as trustee for a widow lady. The matter is now being thoroughly investigated. The friends of the deceased, who hope that a different state of affairs will be revealed. It is also said that he was indebted to one of the banks, other than the one of which he was cashier, to the amount of several thousand dollars.

A \$350,000 Fire.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 16.—A portion of Arnot's stores was destroyed by fire this morning. A dozen firemen had a narrow escape from being crushed under a falling wall. The men could not gain safety by running along the docks and were forced to leap into the water. They were rescued. Several, however, were injured. At least five thousand bales of cotton and an immense quantity of bagging and jute were stored in the building. The loss is \$350,000.

A Victory For the Operators.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 17.—Judge Spear has granted the demand of the operators, and ordered Mr. Comer to appear at court on December 22 to explain why he discriminated against the order of railway telegraphers. He turned all the operators loose that were under arrest, and ordered them reinstated. It is reported that Waddy has resigned.

The Italians Vowing Vengeance.

CLINTON, Ind., Dec. 17.—The Italian colony at Geneva, a mining town near here, is greatly excited over a murder. Last night an American named Farmer and Stephen Farrao quarreled. Farmer stabbed Farrao. Farmer escaped but Farrao's countrymen are vowing vengeance.

The Brooklyn Tabernacle Seized for Debt.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The Brooklyn tabernacle, Rev. T. Dewitt Talmage, pastor, has been seized by the sheriff to satisfy a judgment of \$1,104 obtained against the church by Alfred E. Long, a decorator, for work done in construction of the tabernacle.

Guitars, Banjos, Violins, Etc.

ROANOKE Piano and Organ Company.

Had a Majority of Ten.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A telegram from Don M. Dickinson was received to-day at the House, stating that a certificate of election has been awarded to Richardson, in the Fifth Michigan Congressional district. He had ten majority over Belknap, the present Republican member.

To Collect Custom Revenues.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Francis L. Basque, consul for the Republic of San Domingo, confirms the story that a syndicate of American capitalists has acquired the right to collect the custom revenues of San Domingo.

Special Bargain.

A VERY fine upright piano can be bought for \$125, less than it cost, at Hobbie Music Co.'s. If you want big value for your money, call at once, or it will be sold.

CLEVELAND AND HILL.

No Effort Has Been Made to Bring the Two Statesmen Together.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—It ought not to have been necessary to deny the latest report about the offer of a place in Mr. Cleveland's Cabinet to Senator Hill. Nothing of the kind has so much as entered the minds of either the President-elect or the Senator. It may not be out of place to emphasize the fact that these gentlemen have not met since the beginning of the Presidential campaign.

When conferences were held last summer between Mr. Cleveland and some of his friends and the State and city machine leaders, who had opposed the former's nomination at Chicago, the New York Senator was not even asked to participate, and at no time have any steps been taken by either looking to a meeting. Nor have their friends done anything to bring them together, or to produce an understanding between them.

Not only is this true, but the President is not making tenders of Cabinet places to anybody. Indeed, he is giving himself so little worry on this question that he has not determined for a certainty even in his own mind a single one of his confidential advisers or an incumbent for any other important position. He goes to his office each day and has had an unexpectedly good opportunity to see the men who may be helpful in the task imposed upon him. He is settling up his private business, and will soon be able to devote all his time to public affairs.

The office hunters have wisely taken him at his word and are staying away, greatly to his relief. It is now evident that he will be able to protect himself from the intrusion into his home of the premature application for place, which for a time threatened his peace of mind, and his ability to do his own work and that of the public.

POSTMASTER FIELD RESIGNS.

Several Other Postmasters in Large Cities Want to Enter Private Life.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 17.—John Field, postmaster of this city, has resigned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Several postmasters of the larger cities are in the same position as Field, the Philadelphia postmaster, who want to resign so as to resume private business. Van Cott, of New York; Sexton, of Chicago, and Zumstein, of Cincinnati, have made business arrangements. There will be about sixty vacancies in the ranks of first class postmasters when the Senate convenes in extra session March 4, or at least the terms of that number of postmasters will then have expired.

A Bankrupt Statesman.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—German statesmen have been excited since Thursday by the prospect of Ahlwardt's appearance in the reichstag after Christmas. The immunity extended to him as deputy from his recent sentence to imprisonment was a sad surprise to the government, especially as it was accomplished by the vote of the clerical deputies. Ahlwardt will enter the reichstag with the worst reputation borne by any deputy since the retirement of Herr Most. He is a bankrupt of the worst kind. He has sat in five or six prisons and not a respectable house in Berlin is open to him. The aristocratic conservatives, who have covetously encouraged his Jew baiting, are feeling rather gloomy at the prospect of having a perennial convict suddenly elevated to a seat among them on the extreme right.

Kranich & Bach Pianos.

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Protesting Against Their Treatment.

PARIS, Dec. 17.—Charles De Lesseps and his fellow prisoners, who were arrested for their connection with the Panama Canal frauds, protested to-day against the rigid seclusion to which they are subjected in Mazas prison. It is said they were confined like common criminals, and subjected to the same treatment as offenders of the vilest type. They demand the privilege of being allowed to see visitors. It is rumored that several of the parliamentary reporters will be arrested as agents in the corruption of the legislators.

Estey Organs.

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The Wyoming Political Muddle.

CHEYENNE, Dec. 17.—The supreme court this morning overruled the motion made by counsel of the State canvassing board to quash the writ of mandamus in the Carbon county contested election cases. Counsel for the board then moved to quash the writ. The evident intent of the Republicans is to get a decision of the court as to whether Osborne or Barber is the legal governor.

Knabe Pianos.

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Preparing For a Royal Wedding.

LONDON, Dec. 17.—Although Princess Marie, of Edinburgh, will not be married for three weeks yet to the crown prince of Roumania, the gathering of the royal families has already begun. The crown prince, after a flying visit in London, left this week for Coburg, where Princess Marie, who went before, is now inspecting her troops and making other final preparations, under her mother's supervision, for the nuptials.

Well-Known Dentist Dead.

RICHMOND, Dec. 17.—Dr. W. Lee Burton, a popular and well known dentist, is dead. He was the inventor of the Burton electric heater, used for cooking and street car purposes.

Sheet Music—Latest Publications.

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JIM THE PENMAN OUTDONE.

Remarkable Career of a Successful Swindler.

Orin Skinner is His Name and He Has Operated All Over the Country—He is Now in Jail Awaiting Trial for Passing a Worthless Check—He Claims Intimacy With James G. Blaine and Other Distinguished Gentlemen.

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 17.—Orin Skinner, who was arrested here Monday night for passing a worthless check on a Syracuse liveryman, proves to be one of the cleverest check swindlers in the country. Skinner is 31 years old and comes of an excellent family. He has moved in the best society of several American cities, and spent five years at hard labor in Portland prison, England.

When a young man he studied in the Columbia Law School, New York city, and after graduating continued his law studies in that city. He is a man of charming presence, a brilliant conversationalist, and a fine scholar.

In 1870 he went to Quincy, Ill., and began the practice of law. He won the love of Emma Browning, daughter of O. H. Browning, Secretary of the Interior under President Johnson, and Senator from Illinois to fill the unexpired term of Stephen A. Douglas.

In 1874, with his young and beautiful wife, he removed to Chicago, and became a partner in the law firm of Goudy, Chantler & Skinner. In 1879 he was dropped from the firm on account of questionable financial transactions in connection with the allied silver mines of Colorado, a visionary and not too reputable scheme, of which he was the chief promoter.

The furthering of the interests of the allied mines brought him in contact with many of the leading financiers and politicians of the country. The stock was given and sold with the understanding that if the holders were dissatisfied with the investment they could receive a percentage on it from a New York bank.

The company maintained offices at New York, and there Skinner spent the winter of 1880, gaining much prominence by clever financial manipulations. He was imprisoned at the Tombs by some persons whom he had swindled, but meeting one of the "Twed" gang imprisoned there, he persuaded him to go his bail for \$5,000, promising to use his efforts in having his bondsman liberated. The day after his liberation from the Tombs, Skinner sailed for Europe.

Skinner has operated from Europe to San Francisco. His operations are well known. It is said of him that nearly every bank in the city of the Golden Gate has been victimized by him. His methods are the same wherever he goes. He succeeds in getting himself introduced to the wealthiest people, and then proceeds to float the fraudulent paper.

While in California it is said that Skinner passed forged paper to the amount of \$25,000 on a son-in-law of Senator Sharon. Then he went to England, uttered more forged paper, and was sentenced to five years at hard labor. His sentence expired early last summer, and he at once returned to Chicago and attempted to borrow money from old friends, but was unsuccessful.

He claims to have once been on intimate terms with James G. Blaine, and that he and Blaine have often exchanged personal confidences. Furthermore he boasts that when the Burchard speech came out he went to Mr. Blaine at the Fifth avenue hotel and tried to induce him to write a card to the American public denouncing Burchard's reference to the three "R's." He says also that he formerly had business relations with Mr. Blaine, and operated in stocks for him in Wall street.

While in Syracuse lately Skinner professed to be busily engaged on a book called "The Progressive God." He employed an amanuensis in a law office there to copy some of his manuscript.

A Tax Collector Murdered.

GREENVILLE, Ala., Dec. 17.—E. J. Armstrong, the tax collector of Butler county, was robbed and murdered at Panther Creek this morning, his body being riddled with bullets. The town is in a fever of excitement. An armed posse of thirty men has gone to the scene and dogs have been placed on the trail. Armstrong was out collecting taxes, and had between \$500 and \$700 in his possession. He was a great favorite and held in high esteem.

Old Newspapers Consolidated.

WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 17.—The People's Press, which has been published at Salem for sixty-five years, has been sold to William F. Burbank, of Winston, who will merge it with the Winston Sentinel. This effects a consolidation of two of the oldest newspapers in North Carolina.

Sohmer Pianos.

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The Apportionment Law Constitutional.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—The supreme court decides the apportionment law constitutional and reverses the decision of the lower court, which held the law unconstitutional.

The President to Take a Trip.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The President will probably take a few days' trip down the Potomac river during Christmas holidays.

The Weather.

Forecast for Virginia: Fair, west to southwest winds; slightly colder.

Palace Organs.

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